

Changes in the NATO Standardization Scene

**DoD Standardization Conference -
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“It’s More Than Just STANAGs

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- **Interoperability Policy**
- **Support to the CNAD DAT Initiative**
- **Support to NATO Transformation**
- **NATO - Civil Standards relationship**
- **Contribution to NATO Force Planning**
- **Support to Partner Nations**
- **NCS Standardization Process Issues**

Interoperability Policy

- **Interoperability ... “the ability to operate in synergy in the execution of assigned tasks.”**
- **Policy was approved by the NAC on 4 Mar 05**
- **Interoperability process development is ongoing**
 - **Process will provide detailed guidance and procedures all NATO bodies should follow in the identification and resolution of the interoperability requirements**

Support to CNAD DAT Initiative

- **“Countering the terrorism threat”**
 - **Protect large a/c / MANPADS** - **Defeat of CBRN weapons**
 - **Protect harbors & vessels - ISR & Tgt Acq of terrorists**
 - **Protect helicopters / RPGs - EOD & consequence mgmt**
 - **Countering IEDs** - **Defense against mortars**
 - **Precision Air-Drop for SOF - Protect critical infrastructure**
- **Goal → Early ID of Interoperability issues**
- **Areas for Standardization**
 - **Development of standard procedures & doctrines**
 - **Development of STANAGs**
 - **Preparation of CONOPS**
 - **Standardize alert messages & procedures**
 - **Development of interoperability standards**

Support to NATO **Transformation**

- **NSA - ACT Relationship**
 - **NSA-ACT Workshops in Jun 05 & Nov 05 - Goals were to enhance the interoperability and standardization processes, and to develop tools to facilitate daily working relationships**
 - **NSA-ACT Working Relationship Paper, 7 Mar 06**
- **Efforts to match capability oriented philosophy with standardization supporting documentation is being explored**

NATO - Civil Standards

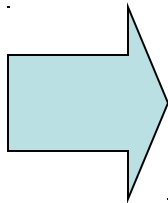
- **NCS' Civil Standards Management Working Group**
 - **Drafted IPR Policy for NATO Standards**
 - **Transfer of Standards between civil and military standardization organizations**
- **NSA participating in various civil standards WGs**
 - **Signed (3) cooperation agreements with international civil standards organizations (ANSI, SAE, and ASTM)**

Contribution to NATO Force Planning

- **Alliance Standardization Requirements (ASRs) are discussed and approved at a Coordination Conference**
- **Under NATO Standardization Program, Tasking Authorities validate domain-related sub-ASRs and task their subordinated Working Groups**
- **Working Groups develop task responses and screen Force Proposals for new or changed Military Standardization Requirements**

Support to Partner Nations

- **Regular contacts with Partner Missions**
- **Polish MOD Standardization course**
- **Partnership Staff Element positions at NSA filled**
- **Istanbul Summit provided new political guidelines for Mediterranean Dialog countries**
- **NSA has also initiated contact under NATO - Russia relationship**
- **Informal contacts at NCS meetings**



Standardization is important to most Nations and Partners

NCS Standardization Process

Issues

- **Boards, Working Groups, and Panels - Is work going to the appropriate group?**
- **Documents generated and utilization by Nations**
- **DoD participation (i.e. personnel, organizations, assignment process, policy documents, funding, etc.)**
- **Level of other Nations' participation - Do we have negative standardization?**